



BROOKS MUSEUM LEAGUE OF MEMPHIS

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Preauna Richardson, *i love you*

Grade 12, Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards

Painting, Contemporary Arts Memphis, Educator Amy-Beth Rice

2025, National Gold Medal and American Visions Medal

Please Join Us!

Join us in Honoring Our History

Since 1933, the Brooks Museum League has promoted education in the fine arts and supported the projects and programs of the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art. Over the years, the League has sponsored major exhibitions, donated over 200 works of art, established the Museum Gift Store, started the Docent program, sponsored Tea and Tours, and as its prime objective, taken the lead in providing funds for and supporting with many volunteer hours the annual Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards for area students. League meetings are held on the first Friday of the month and include special speakers, gallery tours and luncheons. Now more than ever, the League needs new members to continue our work of supporting the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art.



Paris Donegan, *Tame the Mane*

Tupelo High School, Grade 12

Drawing & Illustration, Educator Anna Gardner

2023, National Silver Medal for Senior Portfolio

(also a Gold Medal winner for *Wash Day*)

Join us in Donating to the Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards

If you are unable to commit to joining the Brooks League organization, you can still contribute to its volunteer efforts with a gift to Mid-South Scholastic which will help us finance the awards to student winners. Any amount is appreciated and donations by companies or individuals will be acknowledged. If you would like to donate, mail a check payable to Brooks Museum League to Memphis Brooks Museum League, P.O. Box 11735, Memphis, TN 38111-0735.

Join us in Supporting the annual Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards

The national Scholastic Art Awards program celebrated its centennial in 2023. These awards represent this country's longest-running, most prestigious recognition program for creative teens. Scholastic award winners are honored with ceremonies, exhibitions, publications, and scholarships. Past national award recipients include noted artists Andy Warhol, Cy Twombly, Richard Avedon, John Baldessari, and Memphis's own Derek Fordjour.

Locally, the Brooks Museum League has sponsored student art competitions since 1966, and the Museum and League began partnering in 1989 with the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers to host the annual Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards. The talented young artists, who are the award recipients, are chosen from over 3,000 student entries in grades 7–12, representing more than 80 schools from 50 counties in western Tennessee, eastern Arkansas and northern Mississippi. They compete in a wide variety of categories including painting, drawing, mixed media, photography, sculpture, graphic design, film, and fashion.

In January every year the Museum hosts an exhibition of the prize-winning art curated by the Museum's Education Department. The Brooks League sponsors and funds an awards ceremony to present medals, cash awards and scholarships. Gold key winning artwork is then sent to New York City for judging, and the Memphis region has had multiple winners at the national level. The success of the winning students fulfills the mission of the Mid-South Art Awards as established by the Brooks League and the national organization, which is to support and promote students with exceptional artistic talent and to present their outstanding artwork to the world.



Chloe Warner
Take the Veil

Grade 12
Drawing & Illustration
Hutchison School
Educator Jeanette Lake
2025, National Gold Medal

Join us in Preparing for the Move to Brooks on the Bluff

In 2026, the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art will have a new home on the corner of Front and Monroe downtown overlooking the Mississippi River. The move will offer expanded opportunities for Brooks League volunteers.

Tennessee's oldest and largest art museum is going to grow in amazing ways with more space for Memphis' world-class art collection, more opportunities for families to explore and learn, and many free art-filled spaces designed to just bring people together.

The new home for Memphis' art museum will span an entire city block and will include 30% more traditional gallery space, 600% more art-filled public spaces, a state-of-the-art public theater, café, store, and 47,000 square-foot roof top park with vistas of the Mississippi and Memphis skyline.

Join us in helping to facilitate the transition from the beloved historic museum in Overton Park to the exciting new Brooks downtown.

*Herzog & de Meuron
conceptual rendering*



Join the Brooks League Today!

Please fill out and mail the membership application.

Name: ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Make a check for \$60 payable to Brooks Museum League.

*(Membership in the Brooks Museum is required of League members.
Joining the League is another way to support this fine institution.)*

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